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SUBJECT: TARIFF RATE INFORMATION FILES (TRIF) - STATUS

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- 1. IN MEETINGS THIS WEEK WITH CANADA AND THE EC WE EXCHANGED TRIF COMPUTER TAPES, MICROFISCHES AND PRINTOUTS. ONE COPY OF THE EC AND CANADIAN TRIF TAPES AND MICROFISCHES IS BEING POUCHED TO STEVE FALKEN (STR).
- 2. ON JAN 29 WE AGAIN MET WITH JAPAN (MIYAKE) TO DISCUSS JAPANESE FAILURE TO SUPPLY DESCRIPTIONS IN JAPANESE TRIF. MIYAKE SAID THAT TOKYO (CUSTOMS) CANNOT SPARE THE PERSONNEL FOR THIS TASK. WE CONTINUE TO BELIEVE, HOWEVER, THAT JAPANESE UNWILLINGNESS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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TO SUPPLY DESCRIPTIONS IS RELATED TO JAPANESE POSITION

ON BASE RATES/BASE DATE RATHER THAN INABILITY TO TRANSCRIBE DESCRIPTIONS INTO COMPUTER FILE. WE HAVE INDICATED THAT UNITED STATES IS WILLING TO EXCHANGE TRIF FILES NOW IF THE JAPANESE WILL COMMIT THEMSELVES TO SUPPLYING THE DESCRIPTIONS WITHIN THE NEAR FUTURE, BUT TOKYO APPARENTLY WILL NOT EVEN MAKE THIS COMMIT-MENT. THE EC HAS ALSO TOLD THE JAPANESE THAT IT WILL NOT EXCHANGE TRIF FILES UNTIL THE JAPANESE SUPPLY DESCRIPTIONS AND CANADIANS HAVE TOLD US THEY WILL TAKE A SIMILAR LINE WHEN APPROACHED BY THE JAPANESE. MIYAKE SAID THAT THE JAPANESE DELEGATION IS UNABLE TO BUDGE TOKYO AND THAT REPRESENTATIONS BY OUR EMBASSY IN TOKYO TO FOREIGN OFFICE MIGHT BE NECESSARY IF WE HOPE TO REVERSE TOKYO'S POSITION. ACTION REQUESTED: WE RECOMMEND, THEREFORE, IF WASHINGTON CONCURS, THAT AMEMBASSY TOKYO APPROACH THE FOREIGN OFFICE AT A SENIOR LEVEL AND SEEK JAPANESE AGREEEMENT TO SUPPLY DESCRIPTIONS TO JAPANESE TRIF. IF JAPAN CONTINUES TO ASSERT ITS INABILITY TO SUPPLY DESCRIPTIONS, WE WILL THEN PLAN TO EXCHANGE TRIF WITH JAPAN BUT WITHOUT PRODUCT DESCRIPTIONS ON U.S. FILE.WALKER

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